

Senate Resolution 710

By: Senators Buckner of the 44th, Seay of the 34th, Jones of the 10th and Douglas of the 17th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Lemon family and the W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral
2 Home on 50 years of dedicated service; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Lemon family has been providing high quality, compassionate service to
4 families for the last 50 years; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Willie D. Lemon began his career in the mortuary services industry on
6 February 22, 1959, with Lemon & Helton Funeral Home in McDonough, Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, in 1965, Mr. Lemon established Lemon's Funeral Home at 300 Griffin Street
8 in McDonough, determined to provide the best funeral services in the area; and

9 WHEREAS, shortly after the grand opening, Mr. Lemon's wife, Mary, joined the business,
10 along with their sons, Bobby and Sherman; and

11 WHEREAS, both sons received extensive training, with Bobby earning a degree from
12 Kentucky School of Mortuary Science and Sherman graduating from Gupton-Jones College
13 of Funeral Services; and

14 WHEREAS, through dedication, hard work, and determination, the Lemon family acquired
15 an additional facility in 1976 at 2090 Joylake Road in Morrow, Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, in 1994, Mr. Lemon's youngest daughter, Dana, left her career in business to
17 earn a degree from Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Services and join the thriving family
18 business; and

19 WHEREAS, after Mr. Lemon's passing in 1997, Mrs. Lemon ably and devotedly led the
20 family business, bringing in two additional family members, Sandra and Shannon, as funeral

21 directors and encouraged participation by the remaining Lemon children, Dorothy, Katheryn,
22 and Wanda, and several grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, Bobby has diligently and conscientiously led the business since 2005 after Mrs.
24 Lemon's passing, continuing the family tradition of providing proficient, thoughtful, and
25 caring services to the people of McDonough and Morrow.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend the members of the Lemon family and the W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home for
28 their kind and sensitive service to their community for 50 years and extend to them their
29 sincere best wishes for continued success.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Lemon & Sons Funeral Home.